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"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116.
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING
GROUP 2677"

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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SERIAL NO: 09/653,336

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FILED: AUGUST 31, 2000

: GROUP ART UNIT: 2673

FOR: COORDINATE INPUTTING/
DETECTING APPARATUS AND METHOD
DESIGNED TO AVOID A TRAILING
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RESPONSE

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action of October 17, 2002, favorable reconsideration of this application, in view of the present response, is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application, in view of the following comments, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-14, and 16-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. patent 5,196,835 to Blue et al. (herein "Blue") in view of U.S. patent 6,215,116 B1 to Van Marcke. Claims 5, 10, 15, and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Blue and Van Marcke as